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The Dulles Brothers

The stakes are high in the field in which the two Dulles brothers operate.

It is doubtful if ever before two brothers have served in such delicate positions as do John Foster Dulles, the secretary of state, and Allen W. Dulles, head of the Central Intelligence Agency.

James Marlow, Associated Press news analyst, points out that this nation may not be able to judge during their lifetime the success or failure of the Dulles brothers.

While their work is closely related, their obligations differ widely. For instance, Secretary Dulles has an obligation to keep the public as informed as possible on what the foreign policy is and the reasons behind it.

But CIA chieftain Dulles has no responsibility to keep the public informed. On the contrary, his agency was created to be, because of the nature of its work, the most secret in government.

Thus, the full achievements, or mistakes, of CIA Dulles may never be publicly known. Even Congress has very little information about the CIA, and this is well because congressmen are known to talk too much at times.

Although this newspaper will vigorously insist upon the public's right to government information, the CIA is one area in which it recognizes the necessity for secrecy.

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